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## AMENDMENT A STEED STORE

Sir:

This is in response to the office action dated October 19, 2005.

Initially, enclosed is a Terminal Disclaimer relative to the Assignee's patent No. 6,709,397.

With the filing of this Terminal Disclaimer, it would appear that the basis for rejection under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting has been obviated. Thus, apparently claims 1-3 should now be in condition for allowance.

The examiner's further review of this matter would be appreciated.

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